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KNIGHTS MEET ALL-STARS TONIGHT

Fr. Purtill Due To Speak Monday

by DICK SUCHECKI

The Mission Crusade, a student organization, is sponsoring a highly informative and interesting lecture. The Very Rev. Jeremiah T. Purtill, S.S.E., and Superior General of the Fathers of Saint Edmund will be the speaker. The theme will be, "Missionary Activity and the Catholic College Student." It is a subject that will concern each student.

Father Purtill, an alumnus of St. Michael's College, has had the position of Superior General for four years. He resides on the Campus, at St. Joseph's Hall. He is the Director and the Coordinator for all the different works of the Society of St. Edmund.

Recently, he has come back from the South where he visited the Missions conducted there by the Fathers. Last summer the Superior General journeyed to England and to France. In France, where the Society has nine parishes, he aided in the rehabilitation of the Church. Through his travels, both domestic and abroad, he has acquired a vast wealth of knowledge. His lecture will be based upon important, authoritative and first hand information.

This lecture will be held in the Science Hall Auditorium, at seven o'clock Monday evening. All students and their guests are invited.

April Concert To Aid Missions

by BOB PROVENCHER

When Rev. Nelson Ziter arrived in Selma, Alabama in 1947 to do mission work, he found that a boys' club had been organized. Yes, a boys' club had been organized, but somewhat poorly indeed. There were approximately fifteen members constituting the whole outfit.

Father Nelson saw in this type of organization a source of good and undertook the task of complete reorganization. His method was so successful that today he has increased the membership ten-fold; 150 members now make up the club.

Fr. Ziter is a graduate of St. Michael's, class of '43. He was ordained a priest in 1947. He immediately began his mission work in Selma, Ala., where he is stationed now.

Not only is the club a source of clean, wholesome recreation, but in many cases the only means of religious guidance which could not otherwise be received. It has also been the source of many converts.

CONCERT IN APRIL

As you may have guessed, all this work was not done without financial assistance. So that Fr. Ziter's fine work may be carried on, the Mission Crusade is sponsoring a piano concert to be given in April by Joseph Dursi, the brother of John Dursi who is now matriculating at St. Mike's.

Last year, the same type of concert was given with a net profit of $300, all of which

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The Iceman Cometh

The camera stops the action as Jim Feloney is poised to slap the puck past Norwich goalie, Chub Jordan. Photo by Gardner and Machesnie.

Marine Reserves Here This Week

Major Steve J. Cibik, USMC, U.S. Marine Corps representative for the 1950 Platoon Leaders Class Program, will be in the parlor in Old Hall March 16, 18, to accept applications for the Junior Course of the Marine Corps Platoon Leaders Program.

The students, freshmen and sophomores, will be trained during training periods in Platoon Leaders Class, Junior Course, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia.

Dick Johnson, a junior at St. Michael's attended the school at Quantico last summer.

The PLC, a Marine Corps procurement program established in 1935, was resumed in 1947, after interruption during World War II. Unlike the Reserve Officers Training program, Platoon leaders do not take military subjects during their academic year. They receive all military instruction during two summer periods of six weeks each, at Quantico.

Members of the Platoon Leaders Class are paid while on active duty training, receiving $95.55 a month during the first summer period and $117.60 a month during the final period. They are housed and fed during training and also receive clothing, medical care and transportation to and from their homes.

Coming Events

Sun.
Mon.
4:30 MICHAELMAN (Aquinas)
6:30 Mixed Chorale (C.H. 5)
Tues.
4:00 Debating (Aquinas 202)
6:30 Male Chorus (C.H. 5)
7:00 Chemistry Club (S.H. 107)
7:45 S.M.C. Band (C.H. 5)
7:45 IRC (C.H. 46)
Wed.
6:30 Choir (Chapel)
7:45 Spanish Club (C.H. 28)
Thurs.
6:30 Mission Crusade (C.H. 46)
7:45 Male Chorus (C.H. 5)
Fri.
St. Patrick's Day Dance (Sophomore Class)
Sat.

Pictures of You In Dean's Hands

by CHARLES RANDALL

Students who had their pictures snapped during the retreat wondered what the story was.

The MICHAELMAN this week learned what the story was.

Fr. D'Agostino announced that the photos were taken for the College files. Also because often times a newspaper desires the picture of a S.M.C. student or former student. The photographing was taken at the expense of St. Michael's.

The Dean of Men was informed by the Rashbach Photo Service

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LATE NEWS

The National Catholic Invitation Tournament is NOT being held in Baltimore. Because of racial prejudice in that city, it has been necessary to move the tourney.

Most likely candidate now seems to be Albany - some five hours drive from SMC.

Puckmen Win Way Into Vt. Playoff

by DAN TARPEY

The Purple Knights unpublicized hockey sextet found itself in the limelight for the first time this season as it subdued a strong Norwich six 9-6 before a rink frozen crowd of 500 strong.

Playing under sub par weather conditions, the inspired charges of Fr. Garrett B. Larkin encountered tough sledding all the way, coming from behind on three different occasions, and finally pulling it out during a 10 minute overtime period.

1st PERIOD

Spotting the Horsemen a two goal advantage within five minutes of play, the Knights responded to the Norwich thrust with a heavy attack which brought quick results. Captain Jim Feloney interrupted a Norwich rush by stealing a pass and transferred it to Al Fecteau at mid-ice. The latter sped down the center alley before relaying to Jack Conway who drove the disc home at 6:35. Fecteau with assists from Jim Feloney raised the red flag twice more before the period ended, St. Michael's 3 - Norwich 2.

2nd PERIOD

Norwich surged ahead early in the second period as the Horsemen's stalwart center, Wilkins, beat "Bells" Belliveau at 3:41 and again at 6:23.

The Knights, not to be denied, turned on the heat once more on a gentlemen's agreement between Feloney and Fecteau. Captain Jimmy notched one at 19:00 with an assist from Fecteau. At the 19:20 mark they decided to reverse the procedure as Al drove one through the widespread legs of the visitors goalie, this

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Game Helps Send Team To Tourney

by FRANK SIMAS

Tonight is the night to get behind the basketball team which now needs not only our moral support but also our financial backing as well.

The team is playing tonight in Memorial Auditorium in a special game to raise money for the Baltimore trip.

As you know, it takes "mucho dinero" to send a team to a tourney. Tonight you'll not only get the satisfaction of doing something good for our team but you'll also get an evening full of the finest brand of basketball that has been displayed in this neck of the woods.

The proceeds of the game will defray the expense of sending our representatives to the National Catholic Intercollegiate Tournament at Baltimore, Maryland.

MANY STARS

The Purple Knights are taking on the Collegian All Stars, a team composed of former college stars. Their probable starting lineup looks strong. Larry Killick at one forward is a former star at U.V.M. who has the distinction of being the only Vt. basketball player to participate in the East-West game in New York.

He was also all-time high scorer for the state until Ted Burzenski broke his record. Killick set his mark with 309 points in 1947.

At the other forward will be Willie "Speed" Hart a former great athlete at St. Mi-

Bill Hart

chael's. He is another great scoring threat as any one that has seen him play will surely verify. Ken Akey, another Michaelman, will be at a guard position. Our former arch opponents, and the 'big guns' of U.V.M., Al Niemann and Eddie Kotlarczyk will round off the starting lineup.

STRONG BENCH

The star reserves are: John 'Diz' Dean, star of last year's team, who was the holder of S.M.C.'s individual scoring mark, another record which fell before Burzenski; Bud Riley, a former Holy Cross star and member of the team that won the N.C.A.A. Championship will be on hand when and if a few vital points are needed.

Our Freshman team, which compiled a 12-0 record, has contributed two of its brightest stars to this already star-studded squad in the persons of George Barry, their highest

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MICHAELMAN Gets Recognition

The MICHAELMAN has received high praise from a high source.

This past week, Dick Wall, a columnist for the MICHAELMAN, received a letter from Dr. Franklin Dunham congratulating him on his column "Behind the Mike."

Dr. Dunham, who is the deputy director of the United States Office of Education, was particularly impressed by Wall's suggestion that sessions of Congress be televised.

Dr. Dunham, who is noted as an educator, musician and Catholic layman, spoke last May at the dedication of the Science Hall.

Some of Dr. Dunham's titles include: "Director of Education and Religious Programs" for NBC and "Chief of Radio of the US Office of Education." He serves in an advisory capacity at Catholic University.

His Letter follows:

I am taking you at your word in the article entitled "Behind the Mike" published in your Feb. 11 issue. Since the College was kind enough to make me an honorary alumnus in 1949, I have been getting your interesting paper.

I believe it would be a good idea to televise the sessions of Congress and many of the Congressional committee hearings. Of course this has been done on many special occasions, but is not a regular practice, as you point out. The programs put on by the United Nations, sponsored by Ford, were very interesting, especially since they carried the explanations of a man as well qualified as Lyman Bryson.

I want to draw your attention to an article by Edward Weeks in Atlantic for this month which gives a little further explanation of television. I think you will like it.

Let me congratulate St. Michael's and Fr. Lyons, not only on the excellent paper it puts out, but also on the young men who are thinking with such great power and foresight as is expressed in your feature article. I do not know of any other college paper better edited at this time than THE MICHAELMAN, and I say this as the past National President of Pi Delta Epsilon, the national college journalism fraternity and long time president, as well, of the Intercollegiate Press Association.

Faithfully yours,
Franklin Dunham, Chief of Radio

On The Boards In Austin Hall

Scene from "Twelfth Night" as the K&K produced the play last Sunday night. Because of a full house Thursday evening the club decided to produce the play one more time. Many in Sunday's crowd were those who had attended earlier performances. The professional quality of the play was a tribute to the cast, some of whom had had no previous dramatic experience.

SAC Foots Bill For Movies

The movies shown in Austin Hall every Sunday night are paid for by the S.A.C. They are under the direction of the Mission Crusade which handles the hall and movie machine.

In recent weeks the moderator, Fr. Boucher, has been ordering and cancelling the films. There is a committee set up for the choice of the movies and it tries to select 16 millimeter films which haven't been shown here before.

At present the school is dealing with the Catholic Film Service of Boston.

According to Fr. Boucher, the committee would welcome any suggestions by the students.

Frosh Election Won By Default

Last Friday a combination of the Dark Horse and Square Dealers headed by John Chachere won an election in which there was no competition.

Due to the combination of the two parties there was no opposition and therefore no balloting. The Freshman Class officers are John Chachere, president; John Amarel, vice-president; Phil Galligan, treasurer; Walter Good, secretary.

Endowment Fund Being Set Up

St. Michael's College has established a loyalty fund to build up a living endowment.

Students and alumni will be given an opportunity to join according to Very Rev. Daniel P. Lyons, S.S.E., president.

The way the plan works is this: When friends of the college take out insurance, they agree to have the company turn dividends back to St. Michael's instead of pocketing them themselves. Similar plans have been set up by a number of the leading colleges of the country.

W. Leonard Byrne of Montpelier, an alumnus of St. Michael's, and a representative of National Life Insurance Company, will begin talking the plan over this coming week. He has already met with the officers of the SAC, the senior class and the Alumni Association. All groups have endorsed the plan as have college officials.

St. Michael's has no extensive endowment and the insurance plan has been conceived as one way in which a man gets protection for himself and his family and still helps his alma mater.

Father Lyons said there was nothing compulsory about the plan. He asked, however, that students, especially seniors, listen to the outline as offered by Mr. Byrne.

April Concert

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was sent to Fr. Ziter's mission. The Mission Crusade has again set its goal at $300, and needs the wholehearted cooperation of the student body to attain this amount.

Fr. Maurice Boucher, moderator of the Mission Crusade, expressed the hope that the net proceeds from the concert, whether over or under the goal, (and he said he sincerely hoped that it would not be under) would be sent to Fr. Ziter to aid him in his cause to save souls.

Money, Money Everywhere!

Joe Shea Given $600 To Cover Prom Deposit

by TONY CAULEY

Vice-President George Rodden, acting in the absence of Council President Buck McMahon, called the weekly meeting of the SAC to order at 6:30 on March 1 in Room 30 of College Hall. Secretary Paul Lapointe read minutes of the previous meeting, after which the Council got down to business at hand.

Father D'Agostino was introduced by Rodden, and the Dean of Men had a very important topic to discuss with the council members. Father got right into his talk, which centered on the conduct of "so-called Michaelmen" who ride the last bus from Burlington on Saturday night. The Dean of Men pointed out with specific examples many instances whereby students are bringing out and out shame upon the name of St. Michael's College. Language and conduct in general borders on the disgraceful, stated Father, and to condense the rest of his talk into a very few words, there must be something done about it.

Suggestions were offered all around by council members, but the final agreement was to have two SAC members ride the bus this coming Saturday night and try their utmost to maintain order. A motion was put through by Treasurer Regan, calling the four classes to separate meetings this week, where the problem could be aired before the students themselves.

Upon the departure of Father, Sophomore Class President Jim McGown presented the expense account for the forthcoming St. Patrick's Day Dance to the Council for approval. The dance will be limited to 160 couples at $1.50 per girl et boy. Expenses total $237 which McGown said should easily be cleared. The Council agreed with him by virture of a solid vote.

Junior Class President Joe Shea at this time requested an advance of $600 for the Junior Prom Band. A nationally known outfit has been decided upon, but for the present its name is being withheld. The motion was carried, after Father Moriarty requested a look at the contract.

Acting Freshman Class President John Chachere then reported on the Madri Gras Dance. The affair was well handled, but the attendance was poor. Loss on the entire evening came to $94.56.

The SAC then got into a heated discussion over how they are continually ignored in matters on which they should be informed. Secretary Lapointe started the ball rolling when he told of being asked by fellow students whether the Boston trip was on or off; and if off, why? Being a Student Council member, Paul stated that he should know all the whys and wherefores of the trip, but to all the queries he had to admit ignorance.

Father Moriarty defended the Athletic Office by saying that "Doc" Jacobs is by no means required to run to the Student Council every time he wants to do something. Treas-

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Labor Club Asks For Dough But SAC Says No

by TONY CAULEY

At 6:30 on Wednesday night February 22nd, President Bob McMahon called the weekly meeting of the Student Council to order in Room 28 of College Hall. The request for order was followed by a prayer led by the Council Moderator, Father Moriarty, after which came the business on hand.

Before, however, Recording Secretary Paul Lapointe read the minutes of the previous meeting, Gus Contant, representing the Labor Relations Club, requested $15 to be used in the following manner: $9 for stationery, stamps and a seal, and $6 for refreshments to be served the members after the meeting scheduled the night of the 23rd.

Gus gave a very good talk, stressing the fact that the Labor Relations Club heretofore had never asked the Council for money. To show that the club is expanding, Gus pointed out that on Friday the 24th, a debate would be held by two well known figures in labor under the auspices of the Labor Relations Club.

A question was at this time put to Mr. Contant by Secretary Lapointe about the specific duties of the club. Gus answered that the club will take the labor relations forum at the NFCCS convention scheduled for Boston in the near future. This brought up the question of why doesn't the NFCCS take care of the Labor Relations Club's expenses? Bob Flanagan answered for Contant and said the Labor Relations Club is independent of the NFCCS. Gus thereupon thanked the Council for its consideration and left the room. The Council then got set to take care of the business at hand, plus a review and vote upon Contant's request for $15.

Next on the agenda was a report from the Mailbox Committee. This group has been trying for some time to have a mailbox installed in front of the Library. They reported that the postal inspector looked the situation over, and the best he could offer was to move the mailbox from in front of Father D'Agostino's office to in front of Coach Jacobs' house. The Council members felt that this was going from bad to worse, so the entire matter was dropped. It seems as though we do not have enough people living hereabouts to warrant the Postal Dept. putting in another mailbox.

Treasurer Regan at this time made a pointed request for the financial reports from the Club Presidents. He was backed up by President McMahon who said they must be in by the end of this week.

Next, President McMahon read a letter from University of Vermont's President Lyman in regard to the "MIMIC." The letter was brief and to the point. President Lyman stated that he enjoyed the humor, and felt that none of the remarks were derogatory.

The Council then got down to the discussion prior to voting on Gus Contant's request. Treasurer Regan from the very start was against giving the Labor Relations

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Meet Your Prof.

by HARRY R. MATRONI

"Could you tell me where I might find Mr. Billups?" "Why I guess I should be able to ... a smile ... and what can I do for you?"

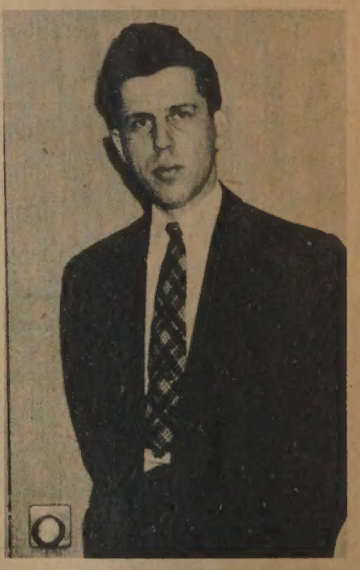
Immediately upon this informal meeting it was easy to see that our Prof. of the week was a "regular guy." Robert R. Billups is a genial soft speaking fellow who is instinctively friendly.

One of the latest additions to the Physics Dept., Mr. Billups is at present doing post-graduate work at U.V.M. in Physics. Having been near St. Michael's all his life as Burlington was his birthplace and residence, it seems only natural that he chose this as his school.

Prof. Billups served four years in the ground maintenance section of the Air Corps before enrolling at this institution. Not only did soldier Billups travel extensively in this country while in the service, but he also spent 32 months overseas stopping in England, North Africa, and Italy.

One of the highlights of his life came while in the service when he had the chance to attend the Christmas mid-night Mass at Saint Peter's Cathedral in Rome. After all his wanderings, however, civilian Billups is true to Vermont for as he says: "There is no place as scenic as good old Vermont."

Entering St. Michael's in 1945, student Billups became an active member of the student body by winning the Freshman presidency. In his Sophomore year he was business manager of the LANCE, and in his Junior year he was treasurer of his class.



Prof. Billups

Upon graduating cum laude he had the honor of being chosen for the 1949 Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

While attending St. Michael's he met the present Mrs. Billups, the former Phyllis Leary, a graduate of Trinity in 1947 and also a native Vermonter. Married in 1948, the Billups make their home in Winooski. They have one child, a boy, Michael Robert. Wonder if they named their son after the college's patron saint?

Just an average fellow in regards to sports, our prof. is impartial and enjoys them all. For relaxation and diversion, Mr. Billups has made cabinet making and carpentry work his hobby.

There was no need to ask what he thought of St. Michael's for his conversation makes it evident that he thinks it is tops.

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The Kerry Chairmen

Fourteen sophomore Michaelmen who will be busy this week preparing for Friday night's KERRY DANCE.

Mission Crusade Hits Goal For The First Semester

At a recent meeting of the Mission Crusade a report by treasurer Don Ryan showed that the club exceeded its goal for the first semester by $100.00.

Most of this was realized through the generosity of Michaelmen in responding to Sunday collections, which amounted to $664.37. No less generous was the response to the mite boxes, which amounted to $86.95. This time however, the little mentioned Michaelmen off-campus deserve much of the praise, having donated $48.00 of the mite box total. The men who regularly made the collections are also to be congratulated for their initiative.

With Lent just a few days old the Mission Crusade is confident that the generosity and spirit of sacrifice of all the Michaelmen will make this semester as successful as last. The small sacrifices made during this time have Christ's assurance of blessing and in turn we have the assurance that we have helped those who have sacrificed a great deal.

An appeal is made, therefore, to all Michaelmen to take notice of the New Lenten mite boxes and to continue their generous support of the Sunday collections. The goal for this year is $1500.00 which will go to the needy not as the gift of one person or club but as a contribution of the students of St. Michael's College.

Prom Deposit

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urer Regan answered this by saying that in matters concerning the student body, such as the trip to Boston, the Council certainly should be informed in order that they may answer questions such as the ones put to Lapointe. The discussion went round and round, ending up exactly where it started from, with nobody knowing for sure whether the trip was on or off.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

Chem Club Picks New President

At the recent meeting of the St. Michael's College Honorary Chemistry Society, David C. Mauzerall was elected President succeeding Leo Contois.

Mauzerall is one of the top students in the College having an average of 95 for the first semester. The newly-elected Vice-President, John Medrek likewise has an average of 95 for the first semester.

Other new officers elected were James Early, Secretary; Raymon DeJesus, Treasurer; and Norris Nash, Sergeant at Arms.

The outgoing officers included Leo Contois, President; Daniel Berry, Vice-President; Eugene Nebiolo, Secretary; Daniel Barry, Treasurer. The moderator of the society Professor Otto Kohler, is now making plans for Spring social events and trips. The society will meet again on Tuesday, March 14.

New Life Added To Spanish Club

A new feature has been added to the Spanish Club meetings with the help of Jose Handal, from Honduras, Central America.

Prof. Joseph Vinci has endorsed the idea in order to build the vocabularies of his Spanish students.

The system operates in this manner. The club members ask Handal the Spanish equivalents of English terms. As an example, last week the club dissected the automobile (automovil). For each part of the automovil Handal gave the Spanish term. Other terms included: tires (llantas), drive wheel (volante), and brakes (frenos). The club members, anxious to increase their Spanish knowledge, take notes on the proceedings.

No Sports, No Dances Says Higgins About European Education

by BILL LIBERATOR

Study in Europe... What does the American student associate with foreign study? Travel? Prestige? Heidelburg in the days of the Student Prince?? After a while, he usually stops to wonder just what is the difference between the European College system and his own.

A Michaelman, Jack Higgins, spent last year at the University of Grenoble in France. We thought that a few of his first-hand views on the two systems would interest some Michaelmen.

TOUGH JOB

To begin with it is pretty difficult to compare the merits of the two systems, for each is founded on a different tradition. Also there is a wide gap between the potential opportunities for the college graduate on each continent.

For instance, our Business courses are geared to meet the demands of our complex American Industry; whereas in Europe, this opportunity is negligible for the college student.

It would be easier to put our finger on the different educational forms in both systems of higher learning, rather than try to distinguish the two systems themselves.

TOUGH HIGH SCHOOLS

Now, in Europe the Secondary school set-up is greatly different from our own. The European High Schools include approximately the same courses as we study in the first two years of the American college. Thus the University student in Europe is somewhat ahead of his counterpart across the Atlantic. Upon graduating, his degree is a bit higher than our A.B. Degree.

Jack Higgins

More emphasis is placed on lectures and class-work in the foreign University, than here. Texts are not relied on as much and there is but one written exam per year in each course. It is a final at the end of the school year. With a satisfactory mark in this final exam, a certificate is granted, accrediting the student for that particular course. This certificate serves the same purpose as our own Record-Transcript.

Something the U. S. college student would find distasteful in the scheme of European Education is the lack of social life. The Foreign University rarely sponsors sports and extra-curricular activities for its students. The social life is left up to the student's own resources!(?)!

GOVERNMENT PAYS

In most European countries the Universities are subsidized by the Government. This fact, alone, creates a gulf between the European and American forms of College Education.

With subsidation these colleges are less apt to be pressurized by Alumni groups, endowment gifts, etc., which strongly influence many U.S. institutions. A Government subsidized University can afford to be more particular in admitting students from Secondary schools. Hence, the academic calibre of incoming college students is generally higher in these countries, than in our own.

DRAWBACK

Yet, because of Government subsidation, European colleges, for the most part, have a great drawback.

If a fellow matures slower than average, he finds himself in left field. For if he doesn't have an excellent high school record, under the European system he cannot enter the University.

In comparison, the American college was able to open its doors to that influx of veterans, who realized their educational possibilities at a later-than-average age.

Finally, this is not meant to be a criticism of any system. It is only a record of on-the-spot observations made by a student, who has studied under both educational schemes, the American and the European.

The Michaelman

EDITORIALS

Our senior class has done a lot for St. Mike's. Now they have a chance to make their biggest contribution, and with no pain.

The whole story is centered in the plan the National Life Insurance Company is offering to seniors and grads. A fellow takes out an insurance policy. He owns it completely and gets full benefits from it. At the same time, however, he gives St. Mike's a big lift. Each policy has a small yearly dividend. This dividend is what is signed over to the school. The yearly dividend is so small that individually no one would miss it. But with a thousand or so policy holders this adds up to a tidy sum, and grows larger over the years.

It's about as painless a gift as anyone could make. The income from these dividends would give the college a tremendous boost financially. To top it off, at any time dividends revert back to the policy holder upon request.

Everyone needs insurance. By taking it under this plan not only is the fellow getting protection, but his Alma Mater gets a break. The cost of the insurance is as fair as you could ask for.

This setup is working out swell at other colleges and if we know our seniors, they'll start it off with a bang here.

Dean Of Men Says—"Cuts Abused"

Because of the many questions which the office of the Dean of Men has been asked especially during this past week, this re-explanation of class attendance, or class absence is being offered.

The primary fact is this: NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO BE ABSENT FROM A SINGLE CLASS EXCEPT FOR AN UNAVOIDABLE EMERGENCY. Debaters, athletes, students officially representing the college at activities, etc., are also considered in the above category when they are representing the college in these activities. We repeat, therefore, that no one can absent himself from even a single class except for an emergency.

In order to save secretarial work for the Office of the Dean of Men, the individual teachers have been asked to handle absences due to emergencies up to four. But no professor can accept an excuse for an absence of a student unless he is sure that it was an emergency. If he has a doubt that a particular absence was due to an unavoidable emergency, or if he has not the time or the facilities to investigate, he is to refer the student to the Office of the Dean of Men.

After the investigation, the Office of the Dean of Men will notify the professor as to whether or not the student had a valid excuse for missing that particular class. If the student's excuse is not valid, even if he has been absent only once from that particular class, then the student is immediately placed on probation as far as that particular class is concerned. If the student is absent once more from that class without a valid reason, he is automatically dropped from that class and he receives an FA (failure due to absence) on his permanent record.

Even if a professor has proof that a student has been absent three times in his class because of an emergency (appendicitis, for instance) he must still refer the student to the Office of the Dean of Men when the student misses a fourth time.

The reason is this: When this occurs, the student cut down his possibility of attending class below the minimum and another question enters, namely a question of percentage of classes missed, and the student's ability to carry on in this class, even though he has missed this number through no fault of his own.

Last Saturday when our basketball team played in Boston, a number of students went to Boston to see the game. Those who could do so without cutting classes or who were not on scholastic probation were entitled to go to this game. Anyone who cut classes in order to see this game was out of order.

Because the number who missed classes on that day was more than usual, and because the professors would, perhaps, not have the opportunity to investigate the excuse of each student, the chore of separating the sheep from the goats was left to the Office of the Dean of Men.

Some seem to have been disturbed at this perfectly legitimate prbcedure. Could it be that they had hoped to give the busy professor a superficial excuse and count on his not having the opportunity to examine each case very deeply? Please remember that if the professor does not have the opportunity to examine each situation very thoroughly, he is bound to ask the student to see the Dean of Men in order to be readmitted to class.

The system, therefore, is extremely simple. All it means is that every single class is considered important, and you cannot miss even one unless for some very grave reason you could not possibly get there. Could anything be simpler?

But why all the confusion, especially because of the last weekend? We must inject a word in here, however, and mention that over 90 percent of the students never have trouble with "cuts" and most of these are amongst those who have the highest averages in the school. There seems to be a correlation between class attendance and class averages.

And now good St. Patrick comes into the picture. You see, March 17 is a school holiday and it comes on Friday this year. Oh, what a temptation that will be to go home for a long weekend, and miss classes on Saturday morning.

The devil will perhaps be whispering to you to go home for a nice long weekend and be absent from Saturday's classes.

Well here's a wonderful chance to perform a sacrifice and stay in the line of duty. Lent is almost over and we could all use some more merits earned through personal sacrifice. Or, if we feel that we don't need those divine merits, let's offer them up for the Dean of Men. The poor fellow needs a lot of help.

Rev. Lorenzo D'Agostino, S.S.E.

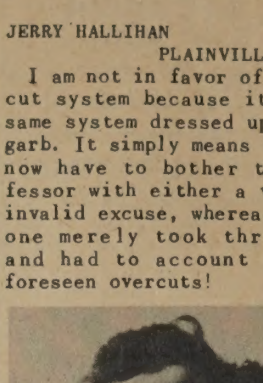
The Hillwind

by Charlie Guill

"What Do You Think of the New Cut System?"

JERRY HALLIHAN
PLAINVILLE, CONN.

I am not in favor of the new cut system because it is the same system dressed up in new garb. It simply means that you now have to bother the professor with either a valid or invalid excuse, whereas before one merely took three cuts and had to account for unforeseen overcuts!



PETE HOLLAND MAHWAH, N.J.

I don't approve of the new cut system at all because of the rule that no cut may be taken before a major holiday. Under the old system, a fellow who lives a good distance from school would save his unexcused cuts to go home early for work and other valid reasons; now this isn't possible. I think that when the committee made this rule, they didn't take the majority of students into consideration.

BOB KNIGHT
TURNERS FALLS, MASS.

As far as I can see, the abuses of the old system are still present. Cuts are matters to be decided by the individuals. If the courses are interesting enough, if the classes are made to seem important and necessary, cuts will take care of themselves.

the MIKE

by Bob Lilly
Colb O'Donnell
Ralph Diehl

(News item AP) - "Oklahoma's prodigal leopard had more friends in death this week than he ever knew in life."

"Millions of Americans felt a twinge of regret at the passing of this beautiful creature, who crept back to his zoo home after 61 hours of fruitless wildcatting."

So much for AP, yet how many Mikemen remember a similar situation confronting us two years ago here high above Winooski's waters. Ours was not a problem of a disappearing leopard but a case of a reappearing pack of highly strung unpredictable dogs.

The canine corps numbered five and ranged in size from a bratty knee high mongrel to a well jawed brusier that could have gulped your hand and half an arm with hardly the customary second thought.

The way we look at it the big Burmese cat and our little pack of primitivists were psychologically bark off the same tree. Both were victims to that modern malady, - adventure, excitement, new horizons and let the devil take the hindmost.

To understand this strange case we must have a little background. Let us go back to the bonny days of '48 when the massive Pere Hebert ruled over St. Paddy's Hall and the new campus was as big as all outdoors to an adventure starved Vermont hound.

The five weren't bad mutts, more the kind that you could stoop over to pet with the reasonable assurance that the same hand would still be functioning upon straightening up.

Where they came from no one could say for sure but easy living and free chow soon bonded them into a group much like the packs which run rampant over Cornell's Ithacan plains. The one difference, however, was that though our little group knew a good deal when they sniffed one they apparently didn't know how to hold onto it.

Prosperity came a little too quickly. They just loped and loped with nothing particularly interesting to do. So to break up the boredom, one fang happy mutt stirred up a little excitement by treating his taste buds to a little bit of the anatomy of a passing workman.

Thus crashed the curtain of peacefulness above the Onion. Here at last was something to make red blood pound and nostrils quiver in the excitement of the chase, - ADVENTURE. Variations and interpretations were added with relish. Workmen were tasty, chasing students' wives was fun and dodging hastily flung chem books was an experience not to be forgotten.

Then these back-to-the-soil antics came to a screeching halt. The massive Pere as staunch as O'Connell on Dublin Square took up his stand before the steps of St. Patrick's and cradling a German mauser in his blacksmith's arms, waited.

Hours later it was over. They say Pere picked them off with dazzling marksmanship as they loped across the distant athletic field. Be that as it may the fact remains that the M campus is as free of dogs as the Emerald Isle of vipers after Patrick's march to the sea.

So in noting the passing of Oklahoma's leopard and our own pack o' five, remember this little twist on those Schlitzads, WORK BELONGS ENJOY IT!

by Bob Lilly

Small Talk— —by Sansone

"Can't you keep that brat quiet?"

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Tournament Bound This Week!

St. Mike's Hilltopics

by Whit Bartlett

With the basketball team enjoying a week's layoff before tonight's benefit game and next week's invasion of Baltimore, the Purple Hockey team has temporarily stolen the spotlight on the Hilltop. After the thrilling overtime win over Norwich last Tuesday the hockey team has been the main topic of conversation. Since the advent of winter-like weather the past few weeks the pucksters have got in some much needed practice and have finally come into their own. The Purple Skaters now have a better than even chance of throwing the State Title Chase into a tie with a victory over Middlebury.

A win for the Knights would give each team a 4 and 2 record in State Competition and would also give the Purple some valuable points on the State Trophy. The game hasn't been scheduled at this writing but it's supposed to be played here on the Hilltop rink. The Panthers seem to be hesitant about playing the tilt here, probably feeling that they can better defend their title on their home ice.

Jerry Healy, Sports Publicity Man at St. Mike's, has released the statistics on the basketball team for the regular season. Some of them are interesting. Bob Kateley led the team percentage-wise by caging 44% of his shots during the season. He dropped 52 baskets in 116 tries. Jimmy Farley was tops from the charity stripe with 76 out of 100 for a 76% average. Incidentally in the last NCAB release playmaker Jim was the leading foul shooter in New England. Of course tall Ted Burzenski led the team in scoring with his record 364 points followed by Farley with 264 markers.

The Knights scored 1347 points during the regular season and 1224 of them were scored by the "big eight." They averaged 61.4 points while their opponents were scoring an average of 51.3 points per game.

Besides scoring 264 points Farley set up one-third of the Knights' baskets exclusive of set shots, by getting 80 assists really proving what a fine all-around ball player "The Postmaster" is.

Tonight's the night for the big All-Star Game so let's all get out and back the team to the limit so that they can go to Baltimore in style.

The Schussers

Rear, left to right: Art Moran, Louie Pini, Marty Cahill, John Rowley, John Gallant.
Front, left to right: Clem Hamelle, John Higgins, Bill O'Hearn, Jerry Shea.
Missing: Joe Zacherer, Bob Thibodeau, John Pryor.

Knights Receive Bid To Tourney

by RAY DOHERTY

Competition a-plenty will face the St. Michael's basketballers when they hit the road for the Catholic Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament to be held at Baltimore March 15 through March 19.

Of the sixteen teams that will compete eight are already definite. Already chosen are St. Michael's, Dayton, Siena, Loras, and Loyola of Baltimore, this year's host. Those that accepted this past week are Creighton University of Omaha, Neb., St. Francis College of Loretto, Pa., and Iona College of New Rochelle, N.Y.

MORE STRONG TEAMS

Bids have also been extended to St. Bonaventure, Villanova, Marquette, Manhattan, Seton Hall, and Detroit. Of this group Villanova needs the least introduction since they were among the top basketball powers in the country this past season. The other teams are not exactly to be termed "pushovers" either.

There is no doubt this will be the real test for the Knights. No matter whom they draw in the opening tilt the Purple and Gold are bound to be up against a power, since every one of the teams in the tourney will be among the best in the nation. The Branonmen will have to be on their toes every minute they're on the Baltimore court.

LOOK FOR BEST

No one need bet that they won't be because the Knights have worked too hard all season to let down at the big moment. This tournament is the climax of a St. Michael's basketball season that will go down in the athletic history of the college, and win or lose at Baltimore, you can't take away that 17-5 record.

Skiers Off To Ottawa For Meet This Week

St. Michael's ski team finally takes to the slopes today in a ski meet at Ottawa.

This is the first meet of the year for the Michaelmen who have had several previous meets washed out by our near tropical January.

The skiers have been able to get some work this past month since Vermont's winter finally started behaving itself.

The team, which is sponsored by the Outing Club, has been outfitted in new uniforms. These were provided through the generosity of Pat Harty, ski editor of the Boston Globe and an alumnus of St. Michael's.

The team also has obtained some jumping skis.

The meet this weekend is being run by the Ottawa University Invitation Ski Union. The competing teams include: Ottawa University; St. Pat's College, Ottawa; McGill University of Montreal; Carldon College, Ottawa; Queens College, Kingston, Ont.; Loyola of Montreal and St. Michael's.

The meet will last two days and include four events: downhill, slalom, cross country and jumping. Ottawa has a 40 meter jump.

The Knights left Thursday for the long trip to the Canadian City.

Those scheduled to make the trip included: Joe Zacherer, Bob Thibodeau, John Higgins, John Gallant, Marty Cahill, Art Moran, Louis Paini, and Clem Hamelle.

Hawks Prove Too Hot For Knights to Handle

The Purple Knights closed their regular seasons activity last Saturday night in the Boston Arena by dropping their fifth game of the season to the red-hot St. Anselm's Hawks, 89-62.

It was eight straight for the Hawks as they racked up victory number 15 for the season at the expense of the Purple, who had previously beaten the Hawks twice this season.

Led by Billy O'Connor and Russ Bastin the Hawks just couldn't be stopped. They clicked on 42 per cent of their shots from the floor and dropped 17 out of 25 from the charity stripe. At the end of the first ten minutes, the Purple led 15-14, but from there on it was all St. A's. The boys from Manchester just raced up and down the floor sinking an unbelievable number of shots and at half-time they left the floor with a comfortable 41-25 lead.

In the third quarter O'Connor was steaming. He dropped 16 of his points in this period and even getting fouled failed to stop him. The only bright spot in the game for St. Mike's was the outstanding play of Jimmy Farley. He was all over the floor and racked up 19 points for his evening's efforts. Big Ted Burzenski's hampered by fouls through most of the second half, ran his Vermont scoring record to 364 as he threw in 20 points.

O'Connor had 29 and Bastin 25 to lead the Hawk's attack. For Bastin his first two baskets enabled him to be the first Hawk player in history to reach the 400 mark in one season.

Puckmen Win

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time the assist going to Feloney.

3rd PERIOD

During the third period things really started to get rough, and before it closed four penalties were assessed. However, the Horsemen found time to go ahead for the third time on successive goals by Hoar and Curley.

Then playing against time, George Maloney, took the puck behind his own nets, skated with perfection by three Norwich pucksters, passed to Jimmy Feloney in front of the Norwich cage, and Feloney in turn rammed a close one by the stunned Horseman goalie. St. Michael's 6 - Norwich 6.

OVERTIME PERIOD

The overtime period merely served as a signal for the Knights' attack which produced 3 quick tallies. At 1:03 of the do or die period the deadlock was broken for good as Al Fecteau shot home his fourth marker of the day from 10 feet out. Three minutes later Feloney caught a pass from Conway at the blue line quickly adding another tally.

Norwich at this point neglected its defense almost completely in the hopes of whittling the Knights' lead. The strategy was exactly to Arlington's Jack Conway's liking. Picking up the loose disc at center ice, Jack on a solo drive saw three feet of light and hit the netted cords, ending the Knights' flurry of goals.

The defense quartet of Tom Duggan, George Maloney, Jim Buckley and De Lude were demons all afternoon.

ICE CHIPS

The Knights were scheduled to play hosts to the Middlebury sextet Friday afternoon. The Purple and Gold pucksters now sport an impressive record of 3 wins to two losses in state competition. A win over the Panthers on Friday and the Knights would have been tied for state honors. If the Knights emerge victorious a playoff game will take place on neutral ice. ...

Jim Feloney's 16 goals and 13 assists make him top man with 45 points. Closely behind Jimmy are Al Fecteau and Jack Conway. Al has 14 goals and 11 assists for 39 points while his teammate has dented the cords 10 times and has found time to assist on 11 different occasions for a respectable 31 points. ...

All-Stars

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point getter, and Eddie Nolan a flashy playmaker.

GAME WORTHWHILE

That rounds off the roster of the Collegians who are good enough to give up their time for this worthy project. The game is sure to be filled with thrills but if the prospect of seeing a great game isn't enough to lure you to the Auditorium let your conscience be your guide. We're sure you'll find yourself in the stands rooting our team to another victory. Just remember the admission is only a dollar and there are no reserved seats so first come first served.

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SAC Says No

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Club $6 for refreshments. It was his contention that the refreshments, if they were to have them at all, should be used the night the debaters are here.

Bill Kenney, Junior Class Representative on the Council, argued against Regan, putting forth the following points:

First, said Mr. Kenney, the Biology Club has done the very same thing in the past. This brought a retort from President Bob Stanton of the Biology Club, to the effect that money for such snacks is included in their budget. Stymied on this point, Kenney turned to another method of attack. He stated that if the Council would not allot them the money for refreshments, Mr. McLaughlin, Labor Relations Club Moderator, would pay for it out of his own pocket.

Arguments being over, President McMahon called for a vote, which went against the Labor Relations Club.

Bill Kenney then put in a motion for $9 for the same club, the money to be used in lining up the Labor Relations Forum of the NFCCS meeting in Boston.

A vote was called for and the motion passed.

At this time Bill O'Hearn was introduced to the Council by President Buck. Bill will finish out the year for Tom Breen who transferred in January.

DEAN'S NOTICE

Any students who wish to make up exams must check with the Registrar's Office before Wednesday.

Pictures of You

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that the Michaelmen are photogenic. (Natch)

In the near future students will be contacted and given an opportunity to see their photographs. If the students are satisfied and desire to buy these pictures they may. Michaelmen are under no obligation to buy the photos. The pictures are reasonably priced.

The photos are sized as follows - there are nine, two x two pictures. There is a large photograph approximately ten x seven very artistically done.

Concert Monday

A concert of the works of Dr. Richard Stoehr will be given this Monday, March 13, at 8 p.m. in Southwick hall on UVM campus.

The concert Monday night will be in three sections.

First Stoehr himself and Miss Barbara Beal will play a two piano arrangement of " An Artist's Life,"

The second section will feature Dr. Wilhelm Raab of UVM. Dr. Raab, a violinist will play " Sunday Morning," " On the Peak of Mt. Mansfield," and " Farewell to Summer."

The final section will feature Stoehr and Miss Beal again with Stoehr's " Symphony No. Six."

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